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Data transfer controller for computer bus system
Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC )

Inventor: ARIMILLI R K; WILLIAMS D E

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# Abstract (Basic):

... 96) store and execute data transfer between external bus and partially inner bus. Inner logic control units (114A,114B) and main controller (115) regulates execution of stored operation according to ordering policy.

#### 8/3,K/2 (Item 1 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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6853465 INSPEC Abstract Number: C2001-04-3390T-018

# Title: Time delay analysis in teleoperation system

Author(s): Sokho Chang; Jungtae Kim; Insup Kim; Jin Hwan Borm; Chongwon Lee; Jong Oh Park

Author Affiliation: Korea Inst. of Sci. & Technol., Seoul, South Korea Conference Title: 8th IEEE International Workshop on Robot and Human Interaction. RO-MAN '99 (Cat. No.99TH8483) p.86-91

Publisher: IEEE, Piscataway, NJ, USA

Publication Date: 1999 Country of Publication: USA xxix+430 pp.

ISBN: 0 7803 5841 4 Material Identity Number: XX-2001-00005

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Conference Title: 8th IEEE International Workshop on Robot and Human Interaction. RO-MAN '99

Conference Sponsor: Scuola Superiore S.Anna; Robotics Soc. Japan; IEEE Ind. Electron. Soc.; IEEE Robotics & Autom. Soc.; Soc. Instrum. & Control Eng.; New Technol. Found

Conference Date: 27-29 Sept. 1999 Conference Location: Pisa, Italy

Language: English

Subfile: C

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Abstract: We classify the data class according to their characteristics and endow with corresponding priority. To reduce time delay in teleoperation system, a dynamic scheduling policy is adopted. The dynamic scheduling policy processes high priority classes first, and then services low priority classes. The classes having low priority can be served in later sampling interval. It is important to maintain sampling

interval to be consistent for stable operation of robot **controller**. In this paper, we analyze data traffic in teleoperation system and suggest the algorithm to **control** it. Through real experiment, we show the validity of this **policy**.

# 8/3,K/3 (Item 2 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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6513672 INSPEC Abstract Number: C2000-04-1340K-017

Title: Stochastic real-valued reinforcement learning to solve a nonlinear control problem

Author(s): Kimura, H.; Kobayashi, S.

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Comput. Intelligence & Syst. Sci., Tokyo Inst. of Technol., Japan

Conference Title: IEEE SMC'99 Conference Proceedings. 1999 IEEE International Conference on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics (Cat. No.99CH37028) Part vol.5 p.510-15 vol.5

Publisher: IEEE, Piscataway, NJ, USA

Publication Date: 1999 Country of Publication: USA 6 vol. (1179+1075+1106+1124+1140+1078) pp.

ISBN: 0 7803 5731 0 Material Identity Number: XX-1999-03292

U.S. Copyright Clearance Center Code: 0 7803 5731 0/99/\$10.00

Conference Title: IEEE SMC'99 Conference Proceedings. 1999 IEEE International Conference on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics

Conference Sponsor: IEEE Syst., Man, & Cybernetics Soc. (SMC); Sci. Council of Japan (SCJ); Soc. Instrum. & Control Eng. (SICE); Robotics Soc. Japan (RSJ); Japan Soc. Mech. Eng. (JSME)

Conference Date: 12-15 Oct. 1999 Conference Location: Tokyo, Japan

Language: English

Subfile: C

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Abstract: This paper presents a new approach to reinforcement learning (RL) to solve a nonlinear control problem efficiently in which state and action spaces are continuous. We provide a hierarchical RL algorithm composed of local linear controllers and TD-learning, which are both very simple. The continuous state space is discretized into an array of coarse boxes, and each box has its own local linear controller for choosing primitive continuous actions. The higher-level of the accumulates state-values using tables with one entry for each box. Each controller improves the local control policy by using an actor-critic method. The algorithm was applied to a simulation of a...

# 8/3,K/4 (Item 3 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2:INSPEC

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6463081 INSPEC Abstract Number: B2000-02-8110C-088, C2000-02-7410B-110

Title: Direct load control using a programmable logic controller

Author(s): El-Amin, I.M.; Al-Ali, A.R.; Suhail, M.A.

Author Affiliation: King Fahd Univ. of Pet. & Miner., Dhahran, Saudi Arabia

Journal: Electric Power Systems Research vol.52, no.3 p.211-16

Publisher: Elsevier,

Publication Date: 1 Dec. 1999 Country of Publication: Switzerland

CODEN: EPSRDN ISSN: 0378-7796

SICI: 0378-7796(19991201)52:3L.211:DLCU;1-S Material Identity Number: E264-1999-013

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Language: English Subfile: B C

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Abstract: This paper presents a fully automated programmable logic controller (PLC) based direct load control system. Unlike other existing systems, it gives the consumer the privilege to share in the load shedding policy. After receiving the warning alarm from the PC at the utility control center, the consumer has the chance to switch off any desired load. If he does...

...action based on the scenario decided by the utility. Having the consumer decide his own **priorities** release the utility company from blind decisions. This is one of the most important contributions...

# 8/3,K/5 (Item 4 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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# 6461477 INSPEC Abstract Number: C2000-02-3390M-048

Title: Learning to grasp by using visual information

Author(s): Anglani, A.; Taurisano, F.; de Giuseppe, R.; Distante, C. Author Affiliation: Dipt. di Ingegneria dell'Innovazione, Leece Univ.,

Conference Title: Proceedings 1999 IEEE International Symposium on Computational Intelligence in Robotics and Automation. CIRA'99 (Cat. No.99EX375) p.7-14

Publisher: IEEE, Piscataway, NJ, USA

Publication Date: 1999 Country of Publication: USA xv+364 pp.

ISBN: 0 7803 5806 6 Material Identity Number: XX-1999-03432

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Conference Title: Proceedings 1999 IEEE International Symposium on Computational Intelligence in Robotics and Automation CIRA'99

Conference Sponsor: IEEE Robotics & Autom. Soc

Conference Date: 8-9 Nov. 1999 Conference Location: Monterey, CA, USA

Language: English

Subfile: C

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Abstract: This paper presents a solution to the problem of manipulation control: target identification and grasping. The proposed controller is designed for a real platform in combination with a monocular vision system. The objective of the controller is to learn an optimal policy to reach and to grasp a spherical object of known size, randomly placed in the environment. In order to accomplish this, the task has been treated as a reinforcement problem, in which the controller learns by a trial and error approach the situation-action mapping. The optimal policy is found by using the Q-learning algorithm, a model free reinforcement learning technique, that...

... on the industrial robot manipulator PUMA 560. Experimental results demonstrate the effectiveness of the adaptive **controller** that does not require an explicit global target position using direct perception of the

environment.

# 8/3,K/6 (Item 5 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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6459913 INSPEC Abstract Number: C2000-02-1340K-052

Title: Efficient non-linear control by combining Q-learning with local linear controllers

Author(s): Kimura, H.; Kobayashi, H.

Author Affiliation: Tokyo Inst. of Technol., Japan

Conference Title: Machine Learning. Proceedings of the Sixteenth International Conference (ICML'99) p.210-19

Editor(s): Bratko, I.; Dzeroski, S.

Publisher: Morgan Kaufmann, San Francisco, CA, USA

Publication Date: 1999 Country of Publication: USA xii+525 pp.

ISBN: 1 55860 612 2 Material Identity Number: XX-1999-01726

Conference Title: Proceedings of ICML-99: Sixteenth International Conference on Machine Learning

Conference Date: 27-30 June 1999 Conference Location: Bled, Slovenia

Language: English

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Abstract: Presents a new approach to reinforcement learning (RL) to solve a non-linear control problem efficiently in which state and action spaces are continuous. In real-world applications, an approach combining discrete RL methods with linear controllers is promising since there are many problems that can be decomposed into several local non-linear control control tasks. We provide a hierarchical RL algorithm composed of local linear controllers and Q-learning, which are both very simple. The continuous state-action space is discretized into an array of coarse boxes, and each box has its own local linear controller as an abstract action. The higher level of the hierarchy is a conventional discrete RL algorithm that chooses the abstract actions. Each linear controller improves the local control policy by using an actor-critic method. The coarse state-space discretization is a quite simple...

... dimensionality, but often gives rise to non-Markovian effects. In our approach, the local linear **controllers** make up for these undesirable effects. The algorithm was applied to a simulation of a...

# 8/3,K/7 (Item 6 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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6459621 INSPEC Abstract Number: C2000-02-3350-025

Title: Multi-scale aspects in model-predictive control

Author(s): Stephanopoulos, G.; Karsligil, O.; Dyer, M.

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Chem. Eng., MIT, Cambridge, MA, USA

Conference Title: IFAC Symposium on Dynamics and Control of Process Systems (DYCOPS-5) Part vol.1 p.53-9 vol.1

Editor(s): Georgakis, C.

Publisher: Elseiver Sciece, Kidlington, UK

Publication Date: 1999 Country of Publication: UK 2 vol. xiv+746 pp.

ISBN: 0 08 043230 1 Material Identity Number: XX-1999-01013

Conference Title: Proceedings of 5th IFAC Symposium. Dynamics and Control of Process Systems 1998 (2 Volume Set)

Conference Sponsor: IFAC

Conference Date: 8-10 June 1998 Conference Location: Corfu, Greece

Language: English

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... Abstract: models defined in the time- or frequency-domain. They are defined on dyadic or higher- order trees, whose nodes are used to index the values of any variable, localised in both...

...and scale (range of frequencies). This dual localisation is particularly attractive in solving estimation and control problems. In the paper, multi-scale models are used to design model-predictive controllers, resulting in design techniques with several important advantages, such as: (a) natural depiction of performance characteristics and treatment of output constraints, (b) fast algorithms for establishing the constrained policies over long prediction/control horizons, (c) rich depiction of feedback errors at several scales, and (d) optimal fusion of multi-rate measurements and control actions.

#### 8/3,K/8 (Item 7 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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6441456 INSPEC Abstract Number: C2000-01-6160B-019

Title: Specification of MLS transaction processing by strongly compatible I/O automata

Author(s): Stach, J.; Park, E.K.; Song, I.Y.; Yoon, S.C.

Author Affiliation: Comput. Sci. Telecommun. Program, Missouri Univ., Kansas City, MO, USA

Conference Title: Joint Conference on Intelligent Systems 1999 (JCIS'98) p.335-40 vol.3

Publisher: Assoc. for Intell. Machinery, USA

Publication Date: 1998 Country of Publication: USA 4 vol. 1918 ISBN: 0 9643456 7 6 Material Identity Number: XX-1999-02892 4 vol. 1921 pp.

Conference Title: Proceedings of 6th International Conference on Fuzzy Theory and Technology

Conference Sponsor: Assoc. for Intell. Machinery; Machine Intell. & Fuzzy Logic Lab.; Elsevier Publishing Co.; Inf. Sci. Journal; US Army Res. Office ; Lab. for Intell. & Nonlinear Control; Duke Univ

23-28 Oct. 1998 Conference Date: Conference Location: Research Triangle Park, NC, USA

Language: English

Subfile: C

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Abstract: In an MLS database, each data item is labeled with a security classification and information is not allowed to flow from a higher level to a lower level or to an incompatible level. While the MAC policy prevents direct illegal information flows, traditional transaction scheduling algorithms may introduce indirect illegal information flows...

... serializable and non-interfering. The notions of external action signatures, local actions, steps and execution sequences associated with I/O automata facilitate specification of concurrent processes with these properties. The internal actions of I/O automata, coupled with their output

actions, can model local **control** of multiple **accesses** at each **security** level. This paper presents a basic transaction processing model composed of interface, scheduler, transaction and data automata with the desired properties for MLS database **security**. The basic model is extended to include a global **controller**, the action signatures of the automata are enriched to accommodate multi-level **access**, and internal actions are specified in support of environmental binding and version **control**. An example and proof sketch for validation of the multi-level model is provided.

8/3,K/9 (Item 8 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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6416294 INSPEC Abstract Number: B2000-01-6230-002, C2000-01-3370-003

Title: Neural network contention controller for non-blocking ATM fabric switches

Author(s): Garcia-Lopera, A.; Valencia, G.; Sanchez, D.; Ruiz, M.; Sandoval, F.

Author Affiliation: Dpto. de Tecnologia Electron., Malaga Univ., Spain Conference Title: Engineering Benefits from Neural Networks. Proceedings of the International Conference EANN '98 p.395-8

Editor(s): Bulsari, A.B.; Fernandez de Canete, J.; Kallio, S.

Publisher: Syst. Eng. Assoc, Turku, Finland

Publication Date: 1998 Country of Publication: Finland v+408 pp.

ISBN: 951 97868 0 5 Material Identity Number: XX-1999-02837

Conference Title: Engineering Benefits from Neural Networks. Proceedings of the International Conference EANN'98

Conference Sponsor: AB Nonlinear Solutions OY; Syst. Eng. Assoc.; Univ. Malaga

Conference Date: 10-12 June 1998 Conference Location: Gibraltar

Language: English

Subfile: B C

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...Abstract: non-blocking switches used in the implementation of asynchronous transfer mode (ATM) switch fabrics. The control policy of the input buffers of the switch is a key issue to solve the input and output contention problem and improve its throughput. Among the different buffer control policies proposed to improve the throughput, the bypass queueing or window-based cell scheduling controller has been reported in the literature as able to get throughput near unity. Our scheduler is based on currently made double overlapping winner take all circuits (DOWTA). This neural controller chooses from the input buffers the maximum number of cells able to be routed to...

... Through H-SPICE simulation we check the response time of several configurations, being of the **order** of a few nanoseconds for the worst case. Other circuits reported in the literature have response time in the **order** of near microseconds. The discrimination voltage level between winner and loser neurons is higher than...

8/3,K/10 (Item 9 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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6382381 INSPEC Abstract Number: C1999-11-1340K-079

Title: Error bounds in nonlinear control design via approximate policy iteration

Author(s): Boussios, C.I.; Dahleh, M.A.; Tsitsiklis, J.N.

Author Affiliation: MIT, Cambridge, MA, USA

Conference Title: Proceedings of the 1999 American Control Conference (Cat. No. 99CH36251) Part vol.4 p.2837-41 vol.4

Publisher: IEEE, Piscataway, NJ, USA

Publication Date: 1999 Country of Publication: USA 6 vol. (lxxxviii+4571) pp.

ISBN: 0 7803 4990 3 Material Identity Number: XX-1999-02125

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Conference Title: Proceedings of the 1999 American Control Conference

Conference Sponsor: American Automatic Control Council; IFAC

Conference Date: 2-4 June 1999 Conference Location: San Diego, CA, USA

Language: English

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Abstract: We consider the optimal nonlinear control problem and evaluate a computational design procedure which produces suboptimal controllers ( policies ), an approximate policy iteration. The method uses an approximation of the cost (cost-to-go) function of a given closed loop system in order to produce an updated controller of (hopefully) improved performance. We develop bounds on the approximation error such that the resulting controllers are stabilizing and bounds on the approximation error such that the resulting controllers are of improved performance.

# 8/3,K/11 (Item 10 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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6355381 INSPEC Abstract Number: C1999-10-1290F-137

Title: Order release and deadlock avoidance interactions in counter-flow system optimization

Author(s): Lawley, M.; Mittenthal, J.

Author Affiliation: Sch. of Ind. Eng., Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN, USA

Journal: International Journal of Production Research vol.37, no.13 p.3043-62

Publisher: Taylor & Francis,

Publication Date: 10 Sept. 1999 Country of Publication: UK

CODEN: IJPRB8 ISSN: 0020-7543

SICI: 0020-7543(19990910)37:13L.3043:ORDA;1-4

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Language: English

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Abstract: Supervisory controllers for automated manufacturing systems must assure good system performance and guarantee deadlock-free operation.

Order release mechanisms are performance control policies that order and schedule the release of work into the system, while deadlock avoidance policies are control policies that inhibit enabled events that might lead to deadlock. Because neither policy explicitly considers the objectives of the other, their decisions often conflict. To guarantee continuing system operation, these conflicts must be resolved in favour of

the deadlock avoidance **policy**, and as a result, the intended beneficial effects of the **order** release mechanism can be significantly undermined. The goals of the paper are: (i) to demonstrate how deadlock avoidance and **order** release can be integrated to form a **control policy** that ensures continued system operation and improved performance with regard to performance measures; and (ii) to experimentally investigate the important interactions that can arise between these two types of **control**.

8/3,K/12 (Item 11 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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6355244 INSPEC Abstract Number: C1999-10-1340B-012

Title: H/sup infinity / control of large-scale jump linear systems via averaging and aggregation

Author(s): Zigang Pan; Basar, T.

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Electr. Eng., Polytech. Univ., Brooklyn, NY, USA

Journal: International Journal of Control vol.72, no.10 p.866-81

Publisher: Taylor & Francis,

Publication Date: 10 July 1999 Country of Publication: UK

CODEN: IJCOAZ ISSN: 0020-7179

SICI: 0020-7179(19990710)72:10L.866:CLSJ;1-R

Material Identity Number: I098-1999-009

Language: English

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Abstract: This paper studies, under state feedback **policies**, the H/sup. infinity / **control** design for large-scale jump linear systems where the form process admits strong and weak...

... cases and using averaging and aggregation techniques, an aggregate jump linear system of considerably smaller **order** has been obtained, along with a corresponding (compatible) cost function. This reduced— **order** (aggregate) problem is another piecewise-deterministic H/sup infinity / **control** problem, and, on the basis of the solution of this problem, we obtain the asymptotic limit of the optimal performance level for the full— **order** system, as well as an approximate **controller** that can asymptotically achieve any desired performance level for the full— **order** system. A by-product of this analysis is a similar decomposition for the piecewise-deterministic...

# 8/3,K/13 (Item 12 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2:INSPEC

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6324870 INSPEC Abstract Number: B1999-09-8520B-017, C1999-09-3360B-024

Title: A comparison of fixed-priority and static cyclic scheduling for distributed automotive control applications

Author(s): Lonn, H.; Axelsson, J.

Author Affiliation: Chalmers Univ. of Technol., Goteborg, Sweden

Conference Title: Proceedings of 11th Euromicro Conference on Real-Time Systems. Euromicro RTS'99 p.142-9

Publisher: IEEE Comput. Soc, Los Alamitos, CA, USA

Publication Date: 1999 Country of Publication: USA xii+297 pp.

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Conference Title: Proceedings of 11th Euromicro Workshop on Real-Time Systems

Conference Date: 9-11 June 1999 Conference Location: York, UK

Language: English Subfile: B C

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Abstract: This paper compares different scheduling policies applied to distributed systems intended for automotive real-time control applications. We describe the characteristics of systems using fixed priority (FP) and static cyclic (SC) scheduling of processors and bus communication, with combinations ranging from FP bus-FP processors to SC bus-SC processors. FP bus is represented by the Controller Area Network protocol (CAN) and SC bus by a Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) protocol. We also study the effects of using a global time base. Our main concern is control performance, including input and output jitter and control delay and therefore the response time of a sequence of control tasks and the related communication. For each system configuration we analyze the expected response times of a series of control related tasks (delay) and the temporal variation of the input and output instants (jitter).

# 8/3,K/14 (Item 13 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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6315568 INSPEC Abstract Number: C1999-09-3355-004

Title: Simulation study using Taguchi methods: an effective tool for control of computer integrated manufacturing and logistics systems

Author(s): Wadhwa, S.; Bhagwat, R.

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Mech. Eng., Indian Inst. of Technol., New Delhi, India

Journal: Studies in Informatics and Control vol.8, no.2 p.121-30

Publisher: Informatics & Control Publications,

Publication Date: June 1999 Country of Publication: Romania

CODEN: SICOF7 ISSN: 1220-1766

SICI: 1220-1766(199906)8:2L.121:SSUT;1-1 Material Identity Number: D226-1999-002

Language: English

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... Abstract: ultimate aim is to develop a decision and information system that provides real-time online **control**. A good example is the **control** of FMS (a mini-CIM). Such capabilities are very expensive and industry is more interested...

...computerized flexible manufacturing (SCFM) systems are a useful building block for the purpose. Online SCFM control involves decision and information delays where decisions are based on nonreal-time information. To effectively control SCFM systems with defined levels of flexibility, it is essential to explicitly model and analyze the effect of decision and information delays on the performance of an online control strategy. Computer simulation is an expedient approach, but it may be expensive in time, effort...

... system. This may result in a very large number of possible combinations to simulate in **order** to identify optimal **control** directions. The **controllers** ideally require tools and methodologies that help them to quickly and effectively identify the **priority** factors and the impact of their interactions. In this paper we present one such approach to study the makespan performance of an SCFM system under a review period monitoring **policy** that entails variable information delays.

# 8/3,K/15 (Item 14 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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6272375 INSPEC Abstract Number: C1999-07-3360L-025

Title: Line-of-sight pointing stability for "drifting" satellites

Author(s): Kumar, K.; Kumar, K.D.

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Aerosp. Eng., Indian Inst. of Technol., Kanpur, India

Journal: IEEE Transactions on Aerospace and Electronic Systems vol.35, no.2 p.504-10

Publisher: IEEE,

Publication Date: April 1999 Country of Publication: USA

CODEN: IEARAX ISSN: 0018-9251

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Abstract: Explored here is the feasibility of a new attitude control approach for satellites in high altitude elliptic orbits, in order to compensate for the effect of longitudinal periodic drift relative to the ground station. A simple attitude control technique using tethers has been proposed for achieving the fixed apparent satellite orientation with respect to the ground segment of the space mission. Combining the proposed feedback tether length control law with the analytically developed open-loop control policy results in a significant improvement of the controller performance. To illustrate implementation of the proposed concept, the particular case of 24 h elliptic...

# 8/3,K/16 (Item 15 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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6251341 INSPEC Abstract Number: B1999-06-7930-017

Title: Connection precedence and preemption in military asynchronous transfer mode (ATM) networks

Author(s): Poretsky, S.

Conference Title: IEEE Military Communications Conference. Proceedings. MILCOM 98 (Cat. No.98CH36201) Part vol.1 p.86-90 vol.1

Publisher: IEEE, New York, NY, USA

Publication Date: 1998 Country of Publication: USA 3 vol. xxxv+1083

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Conference Title: IEEE Military Communications Conference. Proceedings.

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Conference Date: 18-21 Oct. 1998 Conference Location: Boston, MA, USA

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Abstract: While currently employed asynchronous transfer mode (ATM) prioritization schemes grant precedence to cells in the network, high precedence connections may be locked out...

... when the requested resources are unavailable. No modification is required to the selected connection admission control algorithm and the network manager may configure precedence assignment and preemption policies for network-specific optimization. The algorithm is ideal for ATM networks with a central controller, such as a wireless-ATM network or ATM-over-DAMA satellite network, because it uses modified ATM Forum standard signaling to leverage the central controller's knowledge of the network. In addition, solutions are presented for backward compatibility, security, and preempted connection restoration.

# 8/3,K/17 (Item 16 from file: 2)

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6128293 INSPEC Abstract Number: B1999-02-8520-035, C1999-02-3360D-006

Title: A new approach to the levitation control of an electromagnetic

Title: A new approach to the levitation control of an electromagnetic suspension vehicle

Author(s): Bittar, A.; da Cruz, J.J.; Sales, R.M.

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Electron. Eng., Sao Paulo Univ., Brazil

Conference Title: Proceedings of the 1998 IEEE International Conference on Control Applications (Cat. No.98CH36104) Part vol.1 p.263-7 vol.1 Publisher: IEEE, New York, NY, USA

Publication Date: 1998 Country of Publication: USA 2 vol. (xxix+vii+1423) pp.

ISBN: 0 7803 4104 X Material Identity Number: XX-1998-02075 U.S. Copyright Clearance Center Code: 0 7803 4104 X/98/\$10.00

Conference Title: Proceedings of 1998 International Conference on Control Applications

Conference Sponsor: IEEE; CSS; AEI (Italian Electr. & Electron. Assoc.); ANIPLA (Italian Assoc. Autom.); ASME Dynamic Syst. & Control Div.; Eur. Union Control Assoc.; IEEE North Italy Sect.; IEEE Robotics & Autom. Soc.; TEAC

Conference Date: 1-4 Sept. 1998 Conference Location: Trieste, Italy

Language: English

Subfile: B C

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Abstract: A new approach to the levitation **control** of an electromagnetic suspension vehicle prototype is proposed. The prototype has four electromagnetic actuators of...

... all located at the corners of the prototype. The vehicle levitation is performed through the **control** of heave, roll and pitch. A three degree of freedom rigid body model is developed. A situation where the number of actuators is larger than the number of **control** variables is thus characterized. A command **policy** of actuators generates an optimal distribution of forces by the actuators in **order** to produce the force and moments required by the heave, roll and pitch **controllers**. A measurement

processing is done on the signals of the gap sensors to generate estimates of heave, roll and pitch. To stabilize the closed-loop system, a controller with a lead-lag phase characteristic is implemented. The obtained experimental results show that the...

# 8/3,K/18 (Item 17 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2:INSPEC

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6114597 INSPEC Abstract Number: B9902-6220B-001, C9902-5620W-004

# Title: A hierarchical HFC network with QoS guaranteed traffic policy

Author(s): Nen-Fu Huang; Chuan-Pwu Wang; Chi-An Su

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Comput. Sci., Nat. Tsing Hua Univ., Hsinchu, Taiwan

Journal: IEEE Transactions on Broadcasting vol.44, no.4 p.517-26

Publisher: IEEE,

Publication Date: Dec. 1998 Country of Publication: USA

CODEN: IETBAC ISSN: 0018-9316

SICI: 0018-9316(199812)44:4L.517:HNWG;1-L

Material Identity Number: I033-98004

U.S. Copyright Clearance Center Code: 0018-9316/98/\$10.00

Language: English Subfile: B C

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...Abstract: services closer to the users. For people at home, two typical networks are available to access the Internet: telephone network and CATV network. This paper presents a hierarchical tree-based structure for the hybrid fiber-cable (HFC) network where the traditional HFC network is partitioned into segments. Each segment is coordinated by a central traffic controller (CTC). A reservation-based traffic policy is also proposed for the CTC to schedule the data transmissions within the segment to...

...reused efficiently and the system performance is improved significantly. Simulation results indicate that the proposed hierarchical HFC network performs much better than the traditional HFC network in terms of delay, delay jitter and channel utilization. Through the proposed traffic policy, the hierarchical HFC network also offers guaranteed QoS for the users.

# 8/3,K/19 (Item 18 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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6100555 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9901-7480-055

Title: Deadlock prevention and avoidance in FMS: a Petri net based approach

Author(s): Abdallah, I.B.; ElMaraghy, H.A.

Author Affiliation: IMS Centre, Windsor Univ., Ont., Canada

Journal: International Journal of Advanced Manufacturing Technology

vol.14, no.10 p.704-15

Publisher: Springer-Verlag, Publication Date: 1998 Country of Publication: UK

CODEN: IJATEA ISSN: 0268-3768

SICI: 0268-3768(1998)14:10L.704:DPAP;1-P Material Identity Number: J700-98010

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Language: English

Subfile: C

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...Abstract: S/sup 4/R nets is demonstrated. Major synchronisation patterns, such as generalised parallel and **sequential** mutual exclusion, frequently observed in FMS contexts can be represented by this class. The liveness...

... controlling minimal-siphons of a given S/sup 4/R net is developed where local **control** places are added to the net. A sufficient condition for liveness of the augmented net...

... constitutes a deadlock prevention approach. When the net liveness condition is not satisfied, an online **controller**, using a dynamic resource allocation **policy**, is developed for the augmented net. The performance of the proposed approaches is illustrated using...

# 8/3,K/20 (Item 19 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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6096664 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9901-1340K-030

# Title: An optimal control policy for nonlinear system

Author(s): Devi, A.; Choudhury, H.; Yokoyama, R.

Conference Title: 33rd Universities Power Engineering Conference. UPEC '98 Conference Proceedings Part vol.2 p.557-60 vol.2

Publisher: Napier Univ, Edinburgh, UK

Publication Date: 1998 Country of Publication: UK 3 vol. (xix+878+20)

ISBN: 0 902703 50 1 Material Identity Number: XX98-02738

Conference Title: Proceedings of 1998 Universities Power Engineering Conference

Conference Date: 8-10 Sept. 1998 Conference Location: Edinburgh, UK

Language: English

Subfile: C

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Abstract: This paper concerns the application of optimal control to a nonlinear dynamical system. The design of the controller is based on Pontrygin's principle. The dynamical system taken here is a second order model representing a prey-predator ecosystem. The form of optimal control is discovered to see the system behaviour. The cost of the process to control a prey-predator ecosystem is the combination of the cost caused by the prey population together with the cost of control. The prey-predator system is subjected to biological control and chemical control. The control policy is found to be of the `bang-bang' type which switches from null control to maximum control depending upon the switching function.

# 8/3,K/21 (Item 20 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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6075547 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9812-1290F-055

Title: Use of game theoretic techniques for set up decisions in

# distributed manufacturing systems

Author(s): McDonnell, P.; Joshi, S.

Author Affiliation: AT&T Bell Labs., Norcross, GA, USA

Conference Title: First International Workshop on Intelligent Manufacturing Systems (IMS-Europe 1998). Proceedings p.467-78

Publisher: Ecole Polytech. Federale de Lausanne, Lausanne, Switzerland Publication Date: 1998 Country of Publication: Switzerland 702 pp.

Material Identity Number: XX98-01554

Conference Title: Proceedings of First International Workshop on Intelligent Manufacturing Systems

Conference Date: 15-17 April 1998 Conference Location: Lausanne, Switzerland

Language: English

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Abstract: Heterarchical control systems have emerged as promising alternatives to conventional centralized and hierarchical shop floor control structures. However research to date has largely ignored long term control issues such as the timing of resource reconfigurations, issues vital for the avoidance of myopic decision making. As traditional analysis techniques implicitly assume centralized analysis and implementation of policies, they are not directly applicable to heterarchical environments. This paper describes a non-cooperative game theoretic planning technique for the autonomous analysis of reconfiguration decisions by heterarchical machine controllers. Under the proposed system, a machine controller evaluates a setup game to determine appropriate actions when faced with a reconfiguration decision. The...

... pure or mixed strategy equilibrium of the setup game. By evaluating a game, the machine controller accounts for the potential actions and reactions of other machine controllers in the system. The approach allows autonomous machine controller to make strategic decisions regarding future actions while preserving the independence characteristic of controllers in heterarchical environments.

# 8/3,K/22 (Item 21 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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6045197 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9811-1290F-028

Title: A correct and scalable deadlock avoidance policy for flexible manufacturing systems

Author(s): Lawley, M.A.; Reveliotis, S.A.; Ferreira, P.M.

Author Affiliation: Sch. of Ind. Eng., Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN, USA

Journal: IEEE Transactions on Robotics and Automation vol.14, no.5 p.796-809

Publisher: IEEE,

Publication Date: Oct. 1998 Country of Publication: USA

CODEN: IRAUEZ ISSN: 1042-296X

SICI: 1042-296X(199810)14:5L.796:CSDA;1-A Material Identity Number: M938-98006

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Language: English

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Abstract: Configuration flexibility and deadlock-free operation are two essential properties of control systems for highly automated flexible manufacturing systems. Configuration flexibility, the ability to quickly modify manufacturing system components and their logical relationships, requires automatic generation of control executables from high level system specifications. These control executables must guarantee deadlock-free operation. The resource order policy is a configurable controller that provides the deadlock-free guarantee for buffer space allocation. It uses a total ordering of system machines and routing information to generate a set of configuration specific linear constraints

8/3,K/23 (Item 22 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2:INSPEC

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5927157 INSPEC Abstract Number: B9807-8570-001, C9807-3340B-003

Title: Application of fuzzy logic in home appliance: gas heater controller design

Author(s): Zhu Rongming; Tian Bian; Wang Qiantu; Dai Guaozhong Author Affiliation: Dept. of Autom. Control, Northwestern Polytech. Univ., Xi'an, China

Conference Title: 1997 IEEE International Conference on Intelligent Processing Systems (Cat. No.97TH8335) Part vol.1 p.373-6 vol.1

Publisher: IEEE, New York, NY, USA

Publication Date: 1997 Country of Publication: USA 2 vol. xxviii+1893

ISBN: 0 7803 4253 4 Material Identity Number: XX98-00909 U.S. Copyright Clearance Center Code: 0 7803 4253 4/97/\$10.00

Conference Title: 1997 IEEE International Conference on Intelligent Processing Systems

Conference Sponsor: IEEE Ind. Electron. Soc.; Tsinghua Univ., China; Northwestern Polytech. Univ., China; Int. Technol. & Econ. Inst., State Council of China; Chinese Assoc. Autom.; Nat. Natural Sci. Found. China; Japanese Soc. Instrum. & Control Eng.; Japan Soc. Fuzzy Theory & Syst.; Beijing Assoc. Sci. & Technol. Exchange with Foreign Countries; IEEE Control Soc. Beijing Chapter

Conference Date: 28-31 Oct. 1997 Conference Location: Beijing, China

Language: English Subfile: B C

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...Abstract: one that manufacturers are striving to increase their shares in it. Customers are giving high **priority** to those products with reasonably low price, outstanding quality and versatile functionality. Microcontrollers (MCUs) introduced...

... appliance design give advantages of low cost and highly flexible products, and the focus in control policy design has shifted to acquire a something better one than the rigid PID controller in order to get the most out of the MCU. This paper gives an example of applying fuzzy logic mixed with a PID control policy for an innovative fast gas heater design, demonstrating the general procedures of system analysis and control policy determination. The result proves that such a design provides a good solution to meet customers...

8/3,K/24 (Item 23 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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5890757 INSPEC Abstract Number: B9805-6150C-074

Title: Adaptive flow control scheme for real-time traffic in ATM networks Author(s): Wen-Yen Fu; Latchman, H.A.; Shang-Yi Lu

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Electr. & Comput. Eng., Florida Univ., FL, USA

Journal: Proceedings of the SPIE - The International Society for Optical Engineering Conference Title: Proc. SPIE - Int. Soc. Opt. Eng. (USA) vol.3231 p.271-82

Publisher: SPIE-Int. Soc. Opt. Eng,

Publication Date: 1997 Country of Publication: USA

CODEN: PSISDG ISSN: 0277-786X

SICI: 0277-786X(1997)3231L.271:AFCS;1-1 Material Identity Number: C574-97296

U.S. Copyright Clearance Center Code: 0277-786X/97/\$10.00 Conference Title: Performance and Control of Network Systems

Conference Sponsor: SPIE

Conference Date: 3-5 Nov. 1997 Conference Location: Dallas, TX, USA

Language: English

Subfile: B

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... Abstract: over shorter time scales than those at which end-to-end protocols such as congestion control schemes typically operate. In such cases, the congestion can dissipate rapidly before congestion feedback information...

... cell loss rate low and network utilization high, we propose an adaptive rate-based flow control scheme for real-time VBR traffic in ATM networks. The goal of the scheme is to minimize the impact of traffic overload in order to limit the cell loss rate to an acceptable range and also increase the network utilization. The proposed flow control scheme is based on predicting the evolution of buffer occupancy over time using a proportional-plus-integral-plus-derivative controller and a linear predictor to adaptively update the optimum data emission rate at the transmitter. The adaptive policy attempts to keep the buffer occupancy for each virtual channel at a steady level and...

...proposed scheme works effectively against network congestion. Along with the design of the new flow control scheme, we also develop a hierarchically structured testbed to measure network performance and explore various flow control schemes in ATM networks with diverse classes of incoming traffic.

8/3,K/25 (Item 24 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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5878865 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9805-3355-012

Title: A two-phase approach for design of supervisory controllers for robot cells: model checking and Markov decision models

Author(s): Tae-Eog Lee; Jin-Hwan Lee

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Ind. Eng., Korea Adv. Inst. of Sci. &

Technol., Seoul, South Korea

Journal: Annals of Operations Research vol.77 p.157-82

Publisher: Baltzer,

Publication Date: 1998 Country of Publication: Netherlands

CODEN: AOREEV ISSN: 0254-5330

SICI: 0254-5330(1998)77L.157:PADS;1-# Material Identity Number: D430-98003

Language: English

Subfile: C

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Abstract: The supervisory controller for a robot cell is specified as a dynamic control policy that determines the part processing sequence and the robot work cycle depending on the state of the cell. The supervisory controller should be designed not only to satisfy the prescribed logical requirements or constraints, but also to achieve the maximum operating efficiency. We discuss modeling and control issues for robot task planning. We propose a two-phase approach to design the supervisory controller that consists of the logical design phase and the performance design phase. In the first...

... we use a model checking technique for concurrent automata to verify whether the proposed logical control rules satisfy the logical requirements. The logical control requirements may include deadlock prevention, obedience to the technological operation sequence of each part, or prevention of wasteful robot moves. In the second phase, we use semi-Markov decision models to determine additional control decisions for which the robot cell has the maximum throughput rate. We discuss the structure and algorithms of the performance control design problem.

# 8/3,K/26 (Item 25 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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5870568 INSPEC Abstract Number: B9805-8110B-033, C9805-3340H-029

Title: Reduced H/sub infinity / load frequency controller in a deregulated electric power system environment

Author(s): Feliachi, A.

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Comput. Sci. & Electr. Eng., West Virginia Univ., Morgantown, WV, USA

Conference Title: Proceedings of the 36th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (Cat. No.97CH36124) Part vol.4 p.3100-1 vol.4

Publisher: IEEE, New York, NY, USA

Publication Date: 1997 Country of Publication: USA 5 vol. 5067 pp.

ISBN: 0 7803 4187 2 Material Identity Number: XX98-00300

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Conference Title: Proceedings of the 36th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control

Conference Sponsor: IEEE Control Syst. Soc.; SIAM; Inst. Oper.Res. & Manage. Sci

Conference Date: 10-12 Dec. 1997 Conference Location: San Diego, CA, USA

Language: English

Subfile: B C

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...Abstract: systems, which include separate generation, (GENCOs), transmission (TRANSCOs) and distribution (DISCOs) companies with an open

Author(s): El Adl, M.K.; Rodriguez, A.A.; Tsakalis, K.S.

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Electr. Eng., Arizona State Univ., Tempe, AZ, USA

Conference Title: Proceedings of the 35th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (Cat. No.96CH35989) Part vol.2 p.1736-42 vol.2

Publisher: IEEE, New York, NY, USA

Publication Date: 1996 Country of Publication: USA 4 vol. 4858 pp.

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Conference Title: Proceedings of 35th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control

Conference Sponsor: IEEE Control Syst. Soc.; Soc. Instrum. & Control Eng.; Inst. Syst., Control & Inf. Eng

Conference Date: 11-13 Dec. 1996 Conference Location: Kobe, Japan

Language: English

Subfile: B C

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Abstract: This paper addresses hierarchical modeling and control issues within a modern semiconductor fabrication facility. It is well known that fabs are appropriately...

... scales. These models provide synchronous discrete-time approximations which may be useful for analysis and **control** design. They also provide a natural tool for systematically addressing aggregation/de-aggregation issues. It...

... useful for making high-level long term decisions, determining realistic commands for low-level tracking **policies**, and for assessing achievable performance. A low-level tracking **policy** is presented and integrated with a high-level state variable feedback **policy**. The low-level tracking **policy** is shown to track low-frequency commands generated by the high-level **controller**.

# 8/3,K/32 (Item 31 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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5513239 INSPEC Abstract Number: B9704-6210C-024, C9704-7410F-050

Title: Hybrid: unifying centralised and distributed network management using intelligent agents

Author(s): Somers, F.

Author Affiliation: Broadcom Eireann Res. Ltd., Dublin, Ireland

Conference Title: NOMS 96. 1996 IEEE Network Operations and Management Symposium (Cat. No.96CH35757) Part vol.1 p.34-43 vol.1

Publisher: IEEE, New York, NY, USA

Publication Date: 1996 Country of Publication: USA 4 vol. (xvii+754+56) pp.

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Conference Title: Proceedings of NOMS '96 - IEEE Network Operations and Management Symposium

Conference Sponsor: IEEE Commun. Soc.; IFIP

Conference Date: 15-19 April 1996 Conference Location: Kyoto, Japan

Language: English

Subfile: B C

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... Abstract: exacerbate this problem as they generate large amounts of

data and require more sophisticated traffic control traditional circuit-switched networks. Recognition of the need to retain the benefits of centralised...

...benefits of centralised and distributed management. DAI promotes the use of behavioural rather than functional control . We argue that this is an important abstraction tool for constructing, maintaining and understanding large and complex systems. In particular, in order to improve network management scalability, we propose a hierarchical system of independent controllers (agents) with local problem-solving and decision-making capabilities. Each agent acts much like existing...

... of interest between themselves. The hybrid architecture has wide application potential for distributed management and control tasks, particularly interdomain network management, service management and manager of managers (MOM).

#### 8/3,K/33 (Item 32 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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5490835 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9703-1330-013

Are bang-bang minimum-time control policies evolutionarily Title: inevitable?

Author(s): Porter, B.

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Ind. & Manuf. Syst. Eng., Hong Kong Univ., Hong Kong

Conference Title: 1996 IEEE International Conference on Systems, Man and Cybernetics. Information Intelligence and Systems (Cat. No.96CH35929) Part vol.3 p.2422-7 vol.3

Publisher: IEEE, New York, NY, USA

Publication Date: 1996 Country of Publication: USA 4 vol ISBN: 0 7803 3280 6 Material Identity Number: XX97-00013 4 vol. 3234 pp.

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Conference Title: Proceedings of IEEE International Conference on Systems, Man and Cybernetics

Conference Sponsor: Tsinghua Univ

Conference Date: 14-17 Oct. 1996 Conference Location: Beijing, China

Language: English

Subfile: C

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Abstract: The extent to which minimum-time control policies are necessarily bang-bang is investigated. It is shown that this very important issue can...

...genetic algorithms. These general results are illustrated by the genetic design of a minimum-time controller for a second- order plant. It transpires that the generated by a two-level control policies of genetic algorithms evolve towards a bang-bang form as the performance of the associated controller evolves towards time-optimality.

#### 8/3,K/34 (Item 33 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2:INSPEC

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5443638 INSPEC Abstract Number: B9701-6210L-138, C9701-7410F-077

Conference Date: 5-8 March 1995 Conference Location: Phoenix, AZ, USA

Language: English

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Abstract: This paper addresses the development and implementation of a "controller" for a single manufacturing machine. This prototype will serve as an important tool to study the integration of several functions and the utilization of status data to evaluate scheduling and control decision alternatives. The emphasis is on creating a prediction capability to aid in assessing the...

... by using neural networks, simulation, and genetic algorithms. Neural networks predict the behavior of different sequencing policies available in the system. The contribution of the generic algorithms to the decision-making process is the development of a "new" scheduling rule based on a "building blocks" procedure initiated by the neural networks.

8/3,K/42 (Item 41 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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5010857 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9509-1340E-011

Title: MRFACS with nonlinear consequents by fuzzy identification of system for time delay system

Author(s): Chin-Chih Hsu; Yamada, S.; Fujikawa, H.; Shida, K.

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Electr. & Electron. Eng., Musashi Inst. of Technol., Tokyo, Japan

Conference Title: Proceedings of 1995 IEEE International Conference on Fuzzy Systems. The International Joint Conference of the Fourth IEEE International Conference on Fuzzy Systems and The Second International Fuzzy Engineering Symposium (Cat. No.95CH35741) Part vol.1 p.283-8 vol.1

Publisher: IEEE, New York, NY, USA

Publication Date: 1995 Country of Publication: USA 5 vol. (xxxiv+2342+vii+106) pp.

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Conference Title: Proceedings of 1995 IEEE International Conference on Fuzzy Systems. The International Joint Conference of the Fourth IEEE International Conference on Fuzzy Systems and The Second International Fuzzy Engineering Symposium

Conference Sponsor: IEEE Neural Networks Council; Lab. Int. Fuzzy Eng. Res.; Japan Soc. Fuzzy Theory & Syst.; Japan Inf. Process. Dev. Center

Conference Date: 20-24 March 1995 Conference Location: Yokohama, Japan Language: English

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Abstract: We proposed two types of fuzzy MRACS (MRFACS) for time delay system, one is fuzzy controller designed with traditional fuzzy logical controller and the other is fuzzy controller design with fuzzy identification concept. GAs are applied for optimizing the rule set of a fuzzy logic control (FLC) and the coefficients of fuzzy identification system (FIS). In order to accelerate the search, we modified genetic algorithms (GA) with a eugenics policy. The conclusions we got after simulations are: (1) Modified GA (MGA) can find rule set efficiently,

switch controller in transmitting packets. In a crossbar switch with input queueing, significant loss of throughput can occur when head-of-line service order is employed. A solution can be based on an algorithm which maximizes throughput. However since this solution is typically required in less than one microsecond, software implementation policy is infeasible. We will carry out an analysis of the benefits of such a policy, describe some existing proposed schemes for its implementation, and propose a further scheme that provides...

8/3,K/48 (Item 47 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2:INSPEC

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4709857 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9408-7460-072

Title: Human-machine cooperation: toward an activity regulation assistance for different air traffic control levels

Author(s): Vanderhaegen, F.; Crevits, I.; Debernard, S.; Millot, P.

Author Affiliation: Valenciennes Univ., France

Journal: International Journal of Human-Computer Interaction vol.6, no.1 p.65-104

Publication Date: Jan.-March 1994 Country of Publication: USA

CODEN: IJHIEC ISSN: 1044-7318

Language: English

Subfile: C

Abstract: Our research is based on the air traffic control activity regulation assistance. It aims at integrating the two levels of the air traffic control organization: a tactical level managed by a so-called radar controller and a strategic one managed by a so-called organic controller. Concerning the tactical level, our research is directed toward a 'horizontal cooperation' that consists in a dynamic allocation of control tasks between a human air traffic controller and an assistance tool. The other level is oriented toward a scheduling module in order to improve the initial allocation policy.

# 8/3,K/49 (Item 48 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2:INSPEC

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4695972 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9408-3360D-006

# Title: Modelling and control of a transport system

Author(s): Spathopoulos, M.P.; de Ridder, M.A.

Author Affiliation: Div. of Dynamics & Control, Strathclyde Univ., Glasgow, UK

Part vol.1 p.48-53 vol.1

Publisher: IEE, London, UK

Publication Date: 1994 Country of Publication: UK 2 vol. x1+1594 pp.

ISBN: 0 85296 610 5

Conference Title: International Conference on CONTROL

Conference Date: 21-24 March 1994 Conference Location: Coventry, UK

Language: English

Subfile: C

Abstract: Presents the modelling and supervisory **control** design of a subway system. This transport system consists of several tracks connecting various stations...

... which include the logical branching and the assignment operators. The system is modelled in a top down way using an interactive graphical representation of both structure and behaviour based on systems decomposition, subsystem interaction and subsystem behaviour. The model is constructed using the system's hierarchical structure and the connections between inputs and outputs of its subsystems. Next the authors address the problem to develop control strategies in order to ensure desirable behaviour of the model. Instead of attempting to construct the complete policy for the discrete event system, the authors propose a control distributive control system where each component of the system is "local" controlled by a controller following ("dynamic") global specifications. Such a local controller can perform "dynamic" control in the sense that it disables and enables events depending on the ("dynamic") process behaviour...

# 8/3,K/50 (Item 49 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2:INSPEC

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4687222 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9407-7160-028

Title: Integration of information and knowledge from the engineering activity to the workshop control

Author(s): Biennier, F.; Favrel, J.; Beslon, G.

p.840-5 vol.1

Publisher: IEEE Comput. Soc. Press, Los Alamitos, CA, USA

Publication Date: 1993 Country of Publication: USA 3 vol. (xviii+1051+xvi+848+xviii+1042) pp.

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Conference Title: Proceedings of 1993 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation

Conference Sponsor: IEEE

Conference Date: 2-6 May 1993 Conference Location: Atlanta, GA, USA

Language: English

Subfile: C

...Abstract: of knowledge about the different components of the workshop and about the manufactured products. In **order** to provide flexibility and reactivity, the **control** system should integrate this information (including information from engineering activities) and also suit the workshop management **policy**. A model that organizes this knowledge dynamically according to contextual points of view is proposed. It relies on cooperative **controllers**. Each is based both on a specialized view of the knowledge base and a global...

# 8/3,K/51 (Item 50 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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4685409 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9407-1290F-058

Title: Production planning and scheduling using a fuzzy decision system Author(s): Custodio, L.M.M.; Sentieiro, J.J.S.; Bispo, C.F.G.

Author Affiliation: Inst. de Sistemas e Robotica, Inst. Superior Tecnico, Lisbon, Portugal

Journal: IEEE Transactions on Robotics and Automation vol.10, no.2

and turret subsystems. A detailed simulation of the proposed architecture including time- **ordered** planning and **priority** -based linear quadratic tracking provides the preliminary results on which the discussion is based.

8/3,K/60 (Item 59 from file: 2)

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03897729 INSPEC Abstract Number: B91040627

Title: Optimal scheduling in some multi-queue single-server systems

Author(s): Liu, Z.; Nain, P.

Author Affiliation: INRIA-Sophia Antipolis, Valbonne, France

Conference Title: Proceedings IEEE INFOCOM '90. The Conference on Computer Communications. Ninth Annual Joint Conference of the IEEE Computer and Communication Societies. The Multiple Facets of Integration (Cat. No.90CH2826-5) p.1213-19 vol.3

Publisher: IEEE Comput. Soc. Press, Los Alamitos, CA, USA

Publication Date: 1990 Country of Publication: USA 3 vol. xxiv+1269 pp.

ISBN: 0 8186 2049 8

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Conference Sponsor: IEEE

Conference Date: 3-7 June 1990 Conference Location: San Francisco, CA,

Language: English

Subfile: B

... Abstract: the queue upon the arrival of the server leave the system (variant II). A scheduling policy is a rule that selects the next queue to be visited by the server. When the controller has no information on state of the system, it is shown, under homogeneous arrival the assumptions, that a cyclic policy minimizes the expected number of customers in the system. When the controller knows the number of customers in each queue, it is shown that the so-called most-customers-first (MCF) policy minimizes, in the sense of strong stochastic ordering , the vector of the number of customers in each queue whose components are arranged in decreasing order. These results hold for variants I and II and are obtained under fairly weak statistical assumptions. This model has potential applications in videotex and time-division multiple- access systems.

# 8/3,K/61 (Item 60 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2:INSPEC

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03844288 INSPEC Abstract Number: C91025446

Title: NETMAN: an integrated environment for hydraulic networks management Author(s): Masmoudi, M.; Vansteenkiste, C.G.

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Appl. Math. & Biometry, State Univ. of Ghent, Belgium

Conference Title: Intelligent Process Control and Scheduling: Discrete Event Systems. Proceedings of the 1990 European Simulation Symposium p. 51-5

Editor(s): Vansteenkiste, G.C.; Kerckhoffs, E.J.H.; Muller, H.; Broeckx, F

Publisher: SCS, San Diego, CA, USA

Publication Date: 1990 Country of Publication: USA x+249 pp.

ISBN: 0 911801 83 9

Conference Date: 8-10 Nov. 1990 Conference Location: Ghent, Belgium

Language: English

Subfile: C

...Abstract: the hydrologic events, results in the fact that there is actually no general algorithm to control such systems. An iterative hierarchical process is proposed to control releases through a three level decision policy. The decision from each layer is updated according to most recent collected information. An intelligent shell, which integrates qualitative and rule based knowledge, governs the overall control support and has the capability to select automatically the best operation algorithm. Multi-objective and multi-criteria techniques, as well as empirical operation rules , provide the set point of the local controller .

# 8/3,K/62 (Item 61 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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03427455 INSPEC Abstract Number: C89047143

Title: Modeling of a neutralization reaction and self-adaptive control of pH

Author(s): Paszkiewicz, D.P.; Prevot, P.

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Conference Title: Identification and System Parameter Estimation 1988. Selected Papers from the Eighth IFAC/IFORS Symposium p.1171-6 vol.2

Editor(s): Chen Han-Fu

Publisher: Pergamon, Oxford, UK

Publication Date: 1989 Country of Publication: UK 2 vol. xxiv+1385

ISBN: 0 08 035739 3

Conference Sponsor: IFAC; IFORS

Conference Date: 27-31 Aug. 1988 Conference Location: Beijing, China

Language: English

Subfile: C

Abstract: Deals with different aspects of modeling of a neutralization reaction and **control** of pH in a chemical pilot plant. The issue of modeling is significant for the design of **controllers**. The influence of different factors on the neutralization process is analyzed and compared with the...

...Finally, the authors propose a reduced, nonlinear dynamical model of the reactor. The design of **control** law is based on the decoupling and pole placement theories. Then a quadratic optimization **control** law with reference model is proposed for the resulting linear subsystems. However, estimation in real time of one parameter is necessary to assure the efficient noninteracting **control**. In **order** to make the optimal **control** law more robust a self-adaptive **policy** with fuzzy set theory is designed in such a way that the parameters of the...

... the process. A series of experiments is described. They show the efficiency of the decoupling **control** law based on parameter estimation and demonstrate the robustness of the fuzzy self-adaptive **controller**.

whole system. The scheme is especially easy to realize for systems controlled by a sequence of steps (point to point) similar to the common in many robot servo systems. A simulation example of a simple third- order SISO (single-input, single-output) system controlled by the proposed adaptive scheme is presented. The...

...identification of the coefficient plane parameters b and c of the entire system. The adaptive control law is then uniquely computed.

#### 8/3,K/65 (Item 64 from file: 2)

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INSPEC Abstract Number: C88038979

Title: Participative selection of a distributed control system

Author(s): MacDonald, D.R.; Matterson, B.D.; Cook, G.A.; Isner, A.B. Author Affiliation: MacMillan Bloedel Ltd., Powell River, BC, Canada

Journal: Pulp & Paper Canada vol.88, no.10 p.91-3 Publication Date: Oct. 1987 Country of Publication: Canada

CODEN: PPCADD ISSN: 0316-4004

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Subfile: C

Abstract: A large integrated pulp and paper mill had extensive experience with both programmable logic controllers and distributed control systems, but in view of technological advances it was felt that a re-examination of the market was in order . The aim of the selection was to develop a long-term relationship with a single supplier to reduce the cost of **controls** for the whole mill and allow for future growth and change. This paper outlines the use of a team approach in line with a quality improvement policy .

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2:INSPEC DIALOG(R) File

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INSPEC Abstract Number: B88030305, C88022624

Title: Hierarchical optimal controller for multimachine power system

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Subfile: B C

Abstract: The authors present a new closed loop optimal controller for a multimachine system designed with a two-level controller for both off-line and on-line implementations. The performance of such a controller is compared with the conventional global optimal controller . Operational easy convenience, implementation of control policies microprocessors, saving in computational time and memory requirements are the definite advantages of this newly designed hierarchical controller. Increased reliability from such a controller is also expected.

control of more complex systems, a hierarchical controller is
proposed that decomposes the control problem into interdependent
subproblems. Practical experiments on a class of set-point regulator
problems illustrate...

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HIERARCHICAL PRODUCTION OPTIMIZATION AND INVENTORY CONTROL OF SEMICONDUCTOR REENTRANT MANUFACTURING LINES (WAFER FABRICATION, MODEL PREDICTIVE CONTROL)

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... optimization of reentrant manufacturing lines.

The <math> <f> &ell;</f> </math>1-norm Adaptive Predictive Controller /Optimizer developed in this work is implemented in a hierarchical structure where the control actions are split in three-layers which act at different time scales, namely, adaptive, optimization, and direct control layers. At the top layer the parameters of a semiempirical aggregated model are obtained on-line. At the intermediate layer a modified <math> <f> &ell;</f> </math>1-norm Predictive Controller /Optimizer uses the identified model to optimize the performance of the manufacturing line. The objective...

...production rate and keep constant work-in-process levels. The receding horizon characteristic of this **controller** allows the optimization and the **control** problems to be simultaneously solved at each sampling time. At the bottom level a variable **priority** scheduling **policy** is used to deal with the local decisions. Its function is to follow the targets issued by the optimizer. This **controller** is applied to the discrete event simulator of a one-product 6-step, 5-machine...

...rates, batching, setup, and preventive maintenance. Cumulative coherence analysis is performed to this simulator (direct **control** layer). It shows that the aggregated dynamics of this reentrant line are weakly nonlinear at ...

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NONLINEAR NEURAL CONTROL WITH POWER SYSTEMS APPLICATIONS (NEURAL NETWORKS, ELECTRIC POWER)

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...are also provided.

The transient stability problem is studied with consideration of load effects. The hierarchical neural control scheme is developed. Trajectory-following policy is used so that the hierarchical neural controller performs as almost well for non-nominal cases as they do for the nominal cases. The adaptive hierarchical neural control scheme is also proposed to deal with the time-varying nature of loads. Further, adaptive neural control, which is based on the on-line updating of the weights and biases of the...

...Simulations provided on the faulted power systems with unknown loads suggest that the proposed adaptive **hierarchical** neural **control** schemes should be useful for practical power applications.

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DYNAMIC TRAFFIC CONTROL: DECENTRALIZED AND COORDINATED METHODS (ALLONS, INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION)

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...Signals" (ALLONS-D).

Two perspectives are addressed as part of the second component: (i) a hierarchical control architecture for enabling local controllers to maximize system performance and (ii) an iterative process (ALLONS-I) to determine an equilibrium set of control policies for traffic-responsive signal controllers like ALLONS-D. The first perspective divides local signal choice and coordination of these local controllers into two layers of control . An optimization problem is formulated to determine the coordination requirements that are imparted to the local controllers from the higher layer. The ability of this scheme to improve performance on arterial and grid networks is tested via software simulation. In the same manner, this hierarchical scheme is shown to be useful in improving the flow of transit vehicles in a traffic signal network relying on ALLONS-D controllers . The second perspective for the second component of this dissertation deals with a form of coordination achieved by iteratively recalculating the signal control policies at the intersections; this iterative method is a dynamic adjustment process. This process is successful...

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ROBUST WIDE-RANGE CONTROL OF POWER PLANTS FOR LIFE EXTENSION AND PERFORMANCE ENHANCEMENT (FUZZY LOGIC, FEEDFORWARD POLICY)

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This dissertation presents a complete methodology for life extending control system (LECS) synthesis for fossil fuel steam power plants with the objectives of performance enhancement, structural durability and life extension. The proposed LECS has a two-tier architecture. The lower tier consists of a feedforward control policy and a family of linear multivariable robust controllers which are gain-scheduled. The optimal feedforward policy is formulated on the principle of nonlinear programming. The sampled-data feedback control laws are synthesized based on an induced L\$\sb2\$-norm technique which minimizes the worst...

...the energy of the exogenous inputs and the energy of the regulated outputs. The supervisory controller at the upper level makes decisions based on trade-off between performance enhancement and life-extension. The supervisory controller is synthesized based on approximate reasoning embedded with rule based expert knowledge of the power plant and structural damage models. Using the fuzzy logic...

...off between plant performance and structural damage in critical components. The fuzzy algorithm facilitates bumpless controller switching for gain scheduling, under wide range operation and control.

The LECS has been tested by simulation experiments on a generic fossil fuel power plant...

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# MODELING OF AIRPORT OPERATIONS USING AN OBJECT-ORIENTED APPROACH (AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL)

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...using the multi-threading techniques, components are integrated into the proposed modeling framework. Unlike traditional sequential simulation model, this framework organizes simulation activities into four major groups which are: flight schedule, aircraft movement, time, and animation. Instead of using built-in control logic, the framework adapts an open system policy which gives the flexibility to the end users to incorporate the user-preferred control logic into the end models. Another purpose in this research is to provide a future mechanism to study airfield ground traffic automated control systems with Just-In-Time forecasting and model system performance in a real-time ATC...

...can query real time information and provide real time advice to pilots and air traffic **controllers**. This study is one of a few current research projects that are of using multiple...

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LONGITUDINAL CONTROL OF AUTOMATED COMMERCIAL HEAVY VEHICLES (INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS, STRING STABILITY, SPACING)

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...headways due to their low actuation-to-weight ratio.

We develop two new nonlinear spacing policies, variable time headway and variable separation error gain, which all but eliminate this undesirable side effect. The first policy significantly reduces the transient errors and allows us to use much smaller spacings in autonomous platoon operation, while the second one results in smoother and more robust longitudinal control. Furthermore, the two can be combined to yield even better robustness with respect to maneuvers. In order to achieve robustness with respect to significant actuator delays (present in existing CHVs) as well, we design a new controller using the backstepping methodology. A predictor is also added to the control loop for control smoothness enhancement.

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ADAPTIVE HIERARCHY OF DISTRIBUTED FUZZY CONTROL: APPLICATION TO BEHAVIOR CONTROL OF ROVERS

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This dissertation addresses the synthesis of knowledge-based controllers for complex autonomous systems that interact with the real world. A fuzzy logic rule -based architecture is developed for intelligent control of dynamic systems possessing a significant degree of autonomy. It represents a novel approach to controller synthesis which incorporates fuzzy control theory into the framework of behavior-based control. The controller intelligence is distributed amongst a number of individual fuzzy logic controllers and systems arranged in a hierarchical structure such that system behavior at any given level is a function of behavior at the level(s) below. This structure addresses the combinatorial problem associated with large rule -base cardinality, as the totality of rules in the system are not processed during any control cycle. A method of computationally evolving fuzzy rule -bases is also introduced. It is based on the genetic programming paradigm of evolutionary computation and